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UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: C. A. Azpuru Group: 1615
Re: Application of: Anand R. BAICHWAL, et al.
Serial No.: 10/047,060
Filed: January 14, 2002
For: **CONTROLLED RELEASE INSUFFLATION
CARRIER FOR MEDICAMENTS**

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 12, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2002, applicants request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following actions and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following claim:

43. (New) A device for delivering a medicament to a patient, comprising
 (a cohesive composite of a medicament together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier comprising xanthan gum and locust bean gum, wherein the average particle size of said cohesive composite particles is from about 0.1 to about 125 microns in diameter;
 means for delivering the cohesive composite to a nasal or oral orifice.

REMARKS

Claims 26 - 42 are pending.

New claim 43 has been added.